

# On $\mathcal{I}$ –Statistical $\phi$ –Limit Superior and $\mathcal{I}$ –Statistical $\phi$ –Limit Inferior

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we have extended the concepts of  $\mathcal{I}$ –statistical limit superior and  $\mathcal{I}$ –statistical limit inferior to  $\mathcal{I}$ –statistical  $\phi$ –limit superior and  $\mathcal{I}$ –statistical  $\phi$ –limit inferior and studied some of their properties for sequence of real numbers.

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## 1. Introduction

The notion of statistical convergence was first introduced in the year 1951 independently by Fast [10] and Steinhaus [29] in connection with summability theory. Following them, the concept was investigated by Fridy [11, 12], Salat [25] and many others from the sequence space point of view. Various applications of statistical convergence can be found in [2, 3, 19, 20, 30].

Generalizing the concept of statistical convergence in 2001, Kostyrko et al. introduced the idea of  $\mathcal{I}$ –convergence in [17] where the ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  basically represents a set of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  which satisfy some specific conditions. As this

concept was the generalization of so many known convergence methods, eventually it becomes a very interesting area of research. Several works related to  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergence can be found in [1, 8, 14, 18, 22, 24, 26].

In [27], Savas and Das generalized the idea of  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergence to  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical convergence. Several investigation in this direction was done by Das and Savas [4], Debnath and Debnath [6], Mursaleen et al. [7], Et et al. [9] and many others [13, 15, 32, 31].

An Orlicz function (see [23]) is defined as a map  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which satisfies the following criterion:

- (i)  $\phi(-x) = \phi(x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , i.e.  $\phi$  is an even function.
- (ii)  $\phi'(x) \geq 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , i.e.  $\phi$  is non-decreasing on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ .
- (iii)  $\phi(x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ .
- (iv)  $\phi$  is continuous on entire  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (v)  $x \rightarrow \infty$  implies  $\phi(x) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Further, an Orlicz function  $\phi$  is said to fulfil the condition  $\Delta_2$ , if there exists an positive real number  $M$  satisfying the condition  $\phi(2x) \leq M \cdot \phi(x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

In [23], Rao and Ren describes some important applications of Orlicz functions in many areas such as economics, stochastic problems etc. Few examples of Orlicz functions are given below:

*Example 1.1.*

- (i) For a fixed  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ , the function  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as  $\phi(x) = |x|^q$  is an Orlicz function.
- (ii) The function  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as  $\phi(x) = x^5$  is not an Orlicz function.
- (iii) The function  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as  $\phi(x) = x^2$  is an Orlicz function satisfying the  $\Delta_2$  condition.
- (iv) The function  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as  $\phi(x) = e^{|x|} - |x| - 1$  is an Orlicz function not satisfying the  $\Delta_2$  condition.

The idea of  $\phi$ -convergence was introduced by Khusnussaadah and Supama [16]. Recently, it was generalized to  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically  $\phi$ -convergence by Debnath and Choudhury [5] and Lacunary statistically  $\phi$ -convergence by Savas and Debnath [28].

Mursaleen, Debnath and Rakshit [21] introduced the concepts of  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical limit superior and  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical limit inferior. In the present paper we generalized it and introduced  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical  $\phi$ -limit superior and  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical  $\phi$ -limit inferior and studied some of their properties for sequence of real numbers.

## 2. Definitions and Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** [18] *Let  $X$  is a non-empty set. A family of subsets  $\mathcal{I} \subset P(X)$  is called an ideal on  $X$  if and only if*

- (i)  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ ;

- (ii) for each  $A, B \in \mathcal{I}$  implies  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$ ;
- (iii) for each  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $B \subset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{I}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [18] Let  $X$  is a non-empty set. A family of subsets  $\mathcal{F} \subset P(X)$  is called a filter on  $X$  if and only if

- (i)  $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (ii) for each  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$  implies  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{F}$ ;
- (iii) for each  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $B \supset A$  implies  $B \in \mathcal{F}$ .

An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  is called non-trivial if  $\mathcal{I} \neq \emptyset$  and  $X \notin \mathcal{I}$ . The filter  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I}) = \{X - A : A \in \mathcal{I}\}$  is called the filter associated with the ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ . A non-trivial ideal  $\mathcal{I} \subset P(X)$  is called an admissible ideal in  $X$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I} \supset \{\{x\} : x \in X\}$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [27] A sequence  $x = (x_n)$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically convergent to  $x_0$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and every  $\delta > 0$ ,

$$\left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : |x_k - x_0| \geq \varepsilon\}| \geq \delta \right\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

$x_0$  is called  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical limit of the sequence  $(x_n)$  and we write,  $\mathcal{I} - st \lim x_n = x_0$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [21] Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an admissible ideal of  $\mathbb{N}$  and let  $x = (x_n)$  be a real sequence. Let  $B_x$  denote the set

$$B_x = \left\{ b \in \mathbb{R} : \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : x_k > b\}| > \delta \right\} \notin \mathcal{I} \right\}.$$

Similarly,

$$A_x = \left\{ a \in \mathbb{R} : \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : x_k < a\}| > \delta \right\} \notin \mathcal{I} \right\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical limit superior of  $x$  is given by,

$$\mathcal{I} - st \limsup x = \begin{cases} \sup B_x & \text{if } B_x \neq \emptyset, \\ -\infty & \text{if } B_x = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Also,  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical limit inferior of  $x$  is given by,

$$\mathcal{I} - st \liminf x = \begin{cases} \inf A_x & \text{if } A_x \neq \emptyset, \\ \infty & \text{if } A_x = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

**Definition 2.5.** [16] Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an Orlicz function. A sequence  $x = (x_n)$  is said to be  $\phi$ -convergent to  $x_0$  if  $\lim_n \phi(x_n - x_0) = 0$ .

In this case,  $x_0$  is called the  $\phi$ -limit of  $(x_n)$  and denoted by  $\phi - \lim x = x_0$ .

*Remark 2.6.* If we take  $\phi(x) = |x|$ , then  $\phi$ -convergent concepts coincide with usual convergence. Also it is easy to check, if  $x = (x_n)$  is  $\phi$ -convergent to  $x_0$ , then any of its subsequence is  $\phi$ -convergent to  $x_0$  as well.

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an Orlicz function. A sequence  $x = (x_n)$  is said to be statistically  $\phi$ -convergent to  $x_0$  if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_n \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k - x_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

$x_0$  is called the statistical  $\phi$ -limit of the sequence  $(x_n)$  and we write  $S - \phi \lim x = x_0$  or  $x_k \rightarrow x_0(S - \phi)$ . We shall also use  $S - \phi$  to denote the set of all statistically  $\phi$ -convergent sequences.

*Remark 2.8.* If we take  $\phi(x) = |x|$ , then  $S - \phi$  convergence concepts coincide with statistically convergence.

We introduce the following definition as a generalization of  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical convergence. Throughout the paper we consider  $\mathcal{I}$  as an admissible ideal.

**Definition 2.9.** [5] Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an Orlicz function. A sequence  $x = (x_n)$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically  $\phi$ -convergent to  $x_0$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and every  $\delta > 0$ ,

$$\left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k - x_0) \geq \varepsilon\}| \geq \delta \right\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

$x_0$  is called  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical  $\phi$ -limit of the sequence  $(x_n)$  and we write,  $\mathcal{I}_S - \phi \lim x_n = x_0$ .

*Remark 2.10.* If we take  $\phi(x) = |x|$ , then  $\mathcal{I}_S - \phi$  convergent coincide with  $\mathcal{I}_S$ -convergent. Thus  $\mathcal{I}_S - \phi$  convergence is a generalization of  $\mathcal{I}_S$  convergence.

### 3. Main Results

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an admissible ideal of  $\mathbb{N}$ . For a real sequence  $x = (x_n)$ , let

$$B_x = \left\{ b \in \mathbb{R} : \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > b\}| > \delta \right\} \notin \mathcal{I} \right\}$$

and

$$A_x = \left\{ a \in \mathbb{R} : \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < a\}| > \delta \right\} \notin \mathcal{I} \right\}.$$

We define  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical  $\phi$ -limit superior of  $x$  by

$$\mathcal{I} - st \phi - \limsup x = \begin{cases} \sup B_x & \text{if } B_x \neq \emptyset, \\ -\infty & \text{if } B_x = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

Also  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical  $\phi$ -limit inferior of  $x$  by

$$\mathcal{I} - st \phi - \liminf x = \begin{cases} \inf A_x & \text{if } A_x \neq \emptyset, \\ \infty & \text{if } A_x = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *If  $\beta = \mathcal{I} - st \phi - \limsup x$  is finite, then for every positive number  $\varepsilon$ ,*

$$\left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > \beta - \varepsilon\}| > \delta \right\} \notin \mathcal{I}$$

and

$$\left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > \beta + \varepsilon\}| > \delta \right\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

Similarly, if  $\alpha = \mathcal{I} - st \phi - \liminf x$  is finite, then for every positive number  $\varepsilon$ ,

$$\left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < \alpha + \varepsilon\}| > \delta \right\} \notin \mathcal{I}$$

and

$$\left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < \alpha - \varepsilon\}| > \delta \right\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

*Proof.* It follows from the definition. ■

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. Then for any real number sequence  $(x_n)$ ,  $\mathcal{I} - st \phi - \liminf x_n \leq \mathcal{I} - st \phi - \limsup x_n$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\mathcal{I} - st \phi - \limsup x_n = -\infty$ , then we have  $B_x = \emptyset$ . So for every  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > b\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ , which implies  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > b\}| < \delta\} \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I})$  i.e.,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < b\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I})$ .

So for every  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < a\}| > \delta\} \notin \mathcal{I}$ . Hence,  $\mathcal{I} - st \phi - \liminf x_n = -\infty$  (since  $A_x = \mathbb{R}$ ).

If  $\mathcal{I} - st \phi - \limsup x_n = \infty$ , then it is obvious.

Let  $\beta = \mathcal{I} - st \phi - \limsup x_n$  is finite and  $\alpha = \mathcal{I} - st \phi - \liminf x_n$ . So for  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > \beta + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  which implies  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < \beta + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I})$  i.e.,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < \beta + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \notin \mathcal{I}$ . So  $\beta + \varepsilon \in A_x$ . Since  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary and by definition  $\alpha = \inf A_x$ . Therefore  $\alpha < \beta + \varepsilon$ . This proves that  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . ■

**Definition 3.4.** *Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. The real number sequence  $x = (x_n)$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -bounded if there is a positive number  $G$  such that*

$$\left\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > G\}| > \delta\right\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

*Remark 3.5.* If a sequence is  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -bounded then  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup and  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf of the sequence are finite.

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. An element  $\xi$  is said to be an  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistical  $\phi$ -cluster point of a sequence  $x = (x_n)$  if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  the set

$$\left\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k - \xi) \geq \varepsilon\}| < \delta\right\} \notin \mathcal{I}.$$

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. If a  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically  $\phi$ -bounded sequence has one cluster point then it is  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically  $\phi$ -convergent.

*Proof.* Let  $(x_n)$  be a  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically  $\phi$ -bounded sequence which has one cluster point. i.e.,  $M = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > G\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ . So there exist a set  $M' = \{n_1 < n_2 < \dots\} \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that  $M' \notin \mathcal{I}$  and  $(x_{n_k})$  is a statistically bounded sequence.

Now since  $(x_n)$  has only one cluster point and  $(x_{n_k})$  is a statistically bounded subsequence of  $(x_n)$ , so  $(x_{n_k})$  also has only one cluster point. Hence  $(x_{n_k})$  is statistically  $\phi$  convergent.

Let  $\text{st-}\phi \lim x_{n_k} = \xi$ . Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  we have the inclusion,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k - \xi) \geq \varepsilon\}| \geq \delta\} \subseteq M \cup A \in \mathcal{I}$  where  $A$  is a finite set. That is,  $(x_n)$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically  $\phi$ -convergent to  $\xi$ . ■

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. For a  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -bounded sequence  $(x_n)$ ,  $(\phi(x_n))$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -st convergent if and only if  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $x_n = \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x_n$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(\phi(x_n))$  be  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically convergent, say to  $x$ . Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : |\phi(x_k) - x| > \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ . So,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ , which means that  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $x_n \leq x + \varepsilon$ .

We have also  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < x - \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x_n \geq x - \varepsilon$ .

For the converse, let us assume  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $x_n = \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x_n$ . Now for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ , we have  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < x - \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ . These implies that  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : |\phi(x_k) - x| > \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} = A \cup B \in \mathcal{I}$  where  $A = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\}$  and  $B = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n} |\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) < x - \varepsilon\}| > \delta\}$ .

This means  $(\phi(x_n))$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -statistically convergent to  $x$ . ■

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. If  $(x_n), (y_n)$  are two  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -bounded sequences, then

- (i)  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $(x_n + y_n) \leq \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x_n + \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $y_n$ .
- (ii)  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $(x_n + y_n) \geq \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $x_n + \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $y_n$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $l_1 = \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x_n$  and  $l_2 = \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $y_n$ . So  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l_1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(y_k) > l_2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ . Now  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k + y_k) > l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \subset \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l_1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}| > \delta\} \cup \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(y_k) > l_2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}| > \delta\}$ . So,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k + y_k) > l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ .

If  $c \in B_{(x+y)}$ , then by definition  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k + y_k) > c\}| > \delta\} \notin \mathcal{I}$ .

We show that  $c < l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon$ . If  $c \geq l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon$  then  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k + y_k) > c\}| > \delta\} \subseteq \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k + y_k) > l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon\}| > \delta\}$ . Therefore  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k + y_k) > c\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  which is a contradiction. Hence,  $c < l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon$ . As this is true for all  $c \in B_{(x+y)}$ , so,  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $(x + y) = \sup B_{(x+y)} < l_1 + l_2 + \varepsilon$ .

Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, so  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $(x_n + y_n) \leq \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x_n + \mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $y_n$ .

- (ii) Similar to above technique of proof. ■

**Definition 3.10.** Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. A sequence  $(x_n)$  is said to be  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -convergent to  $+\infty$  (or  $-\infty$ ) if for every real number  $G > 0$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) \leq G\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  (or,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) \geq -G\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ ).

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. If  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim sup  $x = l$ , then there exists a subsequence of  $x$  which is  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -convergent to  $l$ .

*Proof.* Case-I: If  $l = -\infty$  then  $B_x = \emptyset$ .

So for any real number  $G > 0$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) \geq -G\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  i.e.,  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim  $x = -\infty$ .

Case-II: If  $l = +\infty$ , then  $B_x = \mathbb{R}$ . So for any  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > b\}| > \delta\} \notin \mathcal{I}$ . Let  $x_{n_1}$  be arbitrary member of  $x$ . Then,  $A_{n_1} = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x_{n_1} + 1\}| > \delta\} \notin \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $\mathcal{I}$  is an admissible ideal, so  $A_{n_1}$  must be an infinite set. That is,  $d(\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x_{n_1} + 1\}) \neq 0$ . We claim that there is at least  $k \in \{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x_{n_1} + 1\}$  such that  $k > n_1 + 1$ , for otherwise  $\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x_{n_1} + 1\} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n_1, n_1 + 1\}$ , i.e.,  $d(\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > x_{n_1} + 1\}) \leq d(\{1, 2, \dots, n_1, n_1 + 1\}) = 0$ , which is a contradiction.

We call this  $k$  as  $n_2$ , thus  $x_{n_2} > x_{n_1} + 1$ . Proceeding in this way we obtain a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $x$  with  $x_{n_k} > x_{n_{k-1}} + 1$ . Since for any  $G > 0$ ,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) \leq G\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ , so  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim  $x_{n_k} = +\infty$ .

Case-III:  $-\infty < l < +\infty$ .

So,  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l + \frac{1}{2}\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - 1\}| > \delta\} \notin \mathcal{I}$ . So there must be a  $m$  in this set for which

$\frac{1}{m}|\{k \leq m : \phi(x_k) > l - 1\}| > \delta$  and  $\frac{1}{m}|\{k \leq m : \phi(x_k) \leq l + \frac{1}{2}\}| > \delta$ .

For otherwise  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - 1\}| > \delta\} \subset \{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l + \frac{1}{2}\}| > \delta\} \in \mathcal{I}$ , which is a contradiction.

Now for maximum  $k \leq m$  will satisfy  $\phi(x_k) > l - 1$  and  $\phi(x_k) \leq l + \frac{1}{2}$  so we must have a  $n_1$  for which  $l - 1 < \phi(x_{n_1}) \leq l + \frac{1}{2} < l + 1$ .

Next we proceed to choose an element  $\phi(x_{n_2})$  from  $\phi(x)$ ,  $n_2 > n_1$  such that  $l - \frac{1}{2} < \phi(x_{n_2}) < l + \frac{1}{2}$ . Now  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}\}| > \delta\}$  is an infinite set. So,  $d(\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}\}) \neq 0$ . We observe that there is at least one  $k > n_1$  for which  $\phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}$ , for otherwise  $d(\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}\}) \leq d(\{1, 2, \dots, n_1\}) = 0$  which is a contradiction.

Let  $E_{n_1} = \{k \leq n : k > n_1, \phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}\} \neq \emptyset$ . If  $k \in E_{n_1}$  always implies  $x_k \geq l + \frac{1}{2}$  then,  $E_{n_1} \subseteq \{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l + \frac{1}{2}\}$ , i.e.,  $d(E_{n_1}) \leq d(\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l + \frac{1}{2}\}) = 0$ .

Since  $\{n \in \mathbb{N} : \frac{1}{n}|\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l + \frac{1}{2}\}| < \delta\} \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{I})$ , thus  $\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}\} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n_1\} \cup E_{n_1}$ . So,  $d(\{k \leq n : \phi(x_k) > l - \frac{1}{2}\}) \leq d(\{1, 2, \dots, n_1\}) + d(E_{n_1}) \leq 0$ , which is a contradiction.

This shows that there is a  $n_2 > n_1$  such that  $l - \frac{1}{2} < \phi(x_{n_2}) < l + \frac{1}{2}$ . Proceeding in this way we obtain a subsequence  $\phi(x_{n_k})$  of  $\phi(x)$ ,  $n_k > n_{k-1}$  such that  $l - \frac{1}{k} < \phi(x_{n_k}) < l + \frac{1}{k}$  for each  $k$ . This subsequence  $\{\phi(x_{n_k})\}$  ordinarily converges to  $l$  and thus  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -convergent to  $l$ . ■

**Theorem 3.12.** *If  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -lim inf  $x = l$ , then there exists a subsequence of  $x$  which is  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -convergent to  $l$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Thm. 3.11 and so omitted. ■

**Theorem 3.13.** *Let  $\phi$  be an Orlicz function. Every  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -bounded sequence  $x$  has a subsequence which is  $\mathcal{I}$ -st  $\phi$ -convergent to a finite real number.*

*Proof.* The proof follows from Remark 3.5 and Thm. 3.11. ■

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